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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1 1. A method for producing a computer, comprising:

> receiving an order from a client, the order being used for ordering the computer, the order comprising a hardware component list and a software component list;

> transmitting the hardware component list to a computer manufacturer, and the computer manufacturer assembling hardware components itemized in the hardware component list; and

> pre-loading software components itemized in the software component list in a storage device.

- The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of delivering the pre-loaded storage device to the client.
- 1 The method of claim 2 wherein the computer manufacturer
- 2 delivers the assembled hardware components to the client.
- 1 The method of claim 3 wherein when the client receives
- the pre-loaded storage device and the assembled hardware 2
- 3 components, the client installs the storage device in the
- assembled hardware components to complete the computer. 4
- The method of claim 1 wherein the order further 1
- comprises a delivery time list, and the pre-loaded storage 2
- 3 device is delivered to the client according to the delivery time
- list. 4

- 1 6. The method of claim 5 further comprising the step of
- 2 transmitting the delivery time list to the computer manufacturer.
- 3 and the computer manufacturer delivering the assembled hardware
- 4 components to the client according to the delivery time list.
- 1 7. The method of claim 6 wherein when the client receives
- 2 the pre-loaded storage device and the assembled hardware
- 3 components, the client installs the storage device in the
- 4 assembled hardware components to complete the computer.
- 8. The method of claim 1 wherein the storage device is
 a hard disk.
 - 9. A method for producing a computer, comprising:
 - receiving a hardware component list from a computer company, the computer company generating the hardware component list according a client's order for the computer; and
 - assembling hardware components itemized in the hardware component list.
 - 10. The method of claim 9 wherein the order comprises a hardware component list and a software component list, and the computer company pre-loads software components itemized in
- 4 the software component list in a storage device.
- 1 $\,$ 11. The method of claim 10 wherein the computer company
- 2 delivers the pre-loaded storage device to the client.
- 1 12. The method of claim 11 further comprising the step
- of delivering the assembled hardware components to the client.
- 1 13. The method of claim 12 wherein when the client receives
- 2 the pre-loaded storage device and the assembled hardware
- 3 components, the client installs the storage device in the

- 4 assembled hardware components to complete the computer.
- 1 14. The method of claim 10 wherein the order further
- 2 comprises a delivery time list, and the computer company
- 3 delivers the pre-loaded storage device to the client according
- 4 to the delivery time list.
- 1 15. The method of claim 14 further comprising the step
- of receiving the delivery time list from the computer company,
- 3 and delivering the assembled hardware components to the client
- 4 according to the delivery time list.
 - 16. The method of claim 15 wherein when the clientreceives the pre-loaded storage device and the assembled hardware components, the client installs the storage device in the assembled hardware components to complete the computer.
 - $17\,.$ The method of claim 10 wherein the storage device is a hard disk.
 - 18. A method for producing a computer, comprising:
 - generating a computer component list, the computer component list comprising a hardware component list and a software component list;
- 5 transmitting the hardware component list to a computer
- 6 manufacturer, and the computer manufacturer assembling
- 7 hardware components itemized in the hardware component list;
- 8 and
- 9 pre-loading software components itemized in the software
- 10 component list in a storage device.
- 1 19. The method of claim 18 further comprising the step
- of delivering the pre-loaded storage device to a distributor.

- 1 20. The method of claim 19 wherein the computer
- 2 manufacturer delivers the assembled hardware components to the
- 3 distributor.
- 1 21. The method of claim 20 wherein when the distributor
- 2 receives the pre-loaded storage device and the assembled
- 3 hardware components, the distributor installs the storage device
- 4 in the assembled hardware components to complete the computer.
- 1 22. The method of claim 20 wherein the distributor sells the
- 2 storage device to a client.
 - 23. The method of claim 22 wherein the distributor sells the assembled hardware components to the client.
 - 24. The method of claim 23 wherein the client installs the storage device in the assembled hardware components to complete the computer.
 - 25. The method of claim 18 wherein the storage device is a hard disk.
 - 26. A method for producing a computer, comprising:
- 2 receiving a hardware component list from a computer company,
- 3 the computer company generating a computer component list
 - comprising the hardware component list; and
- 5 assembling hardware components itemized in the hardware
- 6 component list.
- 1 27. The method of claim 26 wherein the computer component
- list further comprises a software component list, and the
- 3 computer company pre-loads software components itemized in
- 4 the software component list in a storage device.

- The method of claim 27 wherein the computer company 1
- delivers the pre-loaded storage device to a distributor. 2
- The method of claim 28 further comprising the step 1
- 2 of delivering the assembled hardware components to the
- 3 distributor.
- 1 30. The method of claim 29 wherein when the distributor
- receives the pre-loaded storage device and the assembled 2
- 3 hardware components, the distributor installs the storage
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- device in the assembled hardware components to complete the 5 computer.
 - The method of claim 29 wherein the distributor sells the pre-loaded storage device to a client.
 - 32. The method of claim 31 wherein the distributor sells the assembled hardware components to the client.
 - 33. The method of claim 32 wherein the client installs the storage device in the assembled hardware components to complete the computer.
- The method of claim 26 wherein the storage device
- is a hard disk. 2